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Former Football Stars Coming to Town for Golf Tournament

The North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge is pleased to announce that former NFL stars Dwight Clark and Wesley Walls have agreed to play in the April 23rd golf tournament to be held at Rock Barn Golf & Spa. The tournament will be 4-person Captain's Choice and teams will have a celebrity or professional, such as Clark or Walls, as an additional player. Further celebrity commitments are still pending.

Dwight Clark, a Charlotte resident, was a standout at Clemson University who went on to play professionally. He is best known as the San Francisco 49-er who made "The Catch", a game winning reception from Joe Montana in the 1982 NFC Championship Game against the Dallas Cowboys.

Wesley Walls also played for the San Francisco 49-ers, including their Super Bowl XXIV victory over the Denver Broncos concluding the 1989 season. Walls finally gained recognition as a stand out starting tight end when he signed with the Carolina Panthers, earning him five trips to the Pro Bowl.

The tournament will utilize both the Robert Trent Jones, Jr. and Tom Jackson courses. Golf will be preceded by lunch, a silent auction, a putting contest, and a golf clinic. One participant will earn the opportunity to attempt a hole in one, with a million dollar reward. The tournament will conclude with an awards reception.

The North Star Charitable Foundation has been created by North Star Financial Group, of Hickory. It was created to build charitable capital to serve the people of the Unifour region. Its first recipient will be the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). The CAC is THE face of child advocacy in

Catawba County, assuring a comprehensive, culturally competent, multidisciplinary team response to child victims of alleged sexual and severe physical abuse.

The purpose of the North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge is to raise money not only for the current year operating needs for the CAC, but to fund the Foundation with a corpus that would grow and produce earnings that could also be used for future CAC needs as well.

For more information regarding the North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge please contact Pam Stanley at (828) 323-8777 or Darrell Johnson (828-304-5109).

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